

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Verizon Communication Inc. ("Verizon") and MCI, Inc. ("MCI") to Transfer Control of MCI's California Utility Subsidiaries to Verizon, Which Will Occur Indirectly as a Result of Verizon's Acquisition of MCI.

Application 05-04-020
(Filed April 21, 2005)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
GRANTING, IN PART, MOTION FOR SHORTENED TIME**

Qwest Communications Corporation and other protestants in this matter seek an order shortening the time to respond to their Motion for Partial Reconsideration of Scoping Memo and Ruling of Assigned Commissioner filed July 13, 2005. They ask that the Commission order that any responses to the motion be filed by close of business Monday, July 18, 2005. Verizon Communications Inc. states that a response to the motion is being prepared and can be filed by July 18, but that a filing date of July 19, 2005, would be preferable for the drafters of the response.

IT IS RULED that protestants' motion to shorten time for responses is granted in part and denied in part, and that responses to the Motion for Partial

Reconsideration of Scoping Memo and Ruling of Assigned Commissioner are to be filed by close of business Tuesday, July 19, 2005.

Dated July 15, 2005 in San Francisco, California.

/s/ GLEN WALKER

Glen Walker
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail, and by electronic mail to the parties for whom an electronic mail address has been provided, this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Granting, in Part, Motion for Shortened Time on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated July 15, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ELIZABETH LEWIS
Elizabeth Lewis

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